assigned for municipal purposes. Thechief desideratum is the execution of the drainage scheme which is very urgently required.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 268.

Waiting-rooms for ladies in the Seringapatam railway station.

Mr. V. Rangasamiengar, Seringapatam taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In the Seringapatam railway station, there is, at present, only a small waiting-room (15 feet square) for 1st class passengers. Mostly European passengers who come to visit this place of historical interest occupy the room. A separate waiting-room for the 1st and 2nd class Indian passengers and ladies may be orderd to be constructed.

Reply of Government.—The Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company will be addressed in the matter.

SUBJECT No. 269.

Adequate supply of water for sugar-cane cultivation.

Mr. M. D. Narasimha Iyengar, Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—It is learnt that an extra tax of Rs. 5 per acre will be levied on every acre of wet land used for sugar-cane cultivation. As it is, a municipal tax of more than Rs. 20 is paid upon jaggery produced from sugar-cane grown on an acre of land. If this tax is removed, there will be very little objection to the extra tax referred to.

Not only is the usual water allowed monthly for sugar-cane cultivation for six or seven miles in most of the channels such as Ramaswamy and others entirely stopped, but even the water that was escaping from the crevices of the doors of the sluices of the Ramaswamy channel is also checked by putting an embankment across the channel. The usual supply may kindly be allowed to be continued till the question of taxation is settled.

Reply of Government.—This year, water will be allowed as usual.

SUBJECT No. 270.

A third class waiting-room in the French Rocks Railway Station.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastry, Krishnarajpete taluk.

Note.—Not discussed owing to the absence of the proposer.

SUBJECT No. 271.

(*a*) Restoration of Hiduva breached tank.

(*b*) Restoration of Anchechikkanahalli-Hoskere tank.

(*a*) Mr. Gundappa, Nagamangala taluk.

(*b*) Mr. Venkatramiah, Nagamangala taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The breached tank of Hiduva has an atchkat of about 1,000 acres. As it is not restored, about 20 villages round about are suffering from want of irrigational facilities and from frequent water scarcity. All these villages will thrive, if the tank is taken up and restored early.

(*b*) This taluk is a maidan one. The rainfall is comparatively small. Consequently there is an ever present scarcity of water-supply in this taluk. The restoration of the Ahchechikkanahalli-Hoskere breached tank which has got a good catchment may be taken up urgently.

It was taken up as a famine relief work eight years back, but was given up on the disappearance of distress.

Reply of Government.—These will be taken up as famine relief works and not as ordinary works.

HASSAN DISTRICT.

(*Nos. 272—276.*)

SUBJECT No. 272.

Bridge on the Hemavathi river near Goroor.

Messrs. G. Ramaswamiengar, Hassan taluk, and P. Suryanarayana Setty, Arkalgud taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It has been several times urged that a bridge on the Hemavathi river near Goroor is a great want, on account of which the people in the vicinity are put to considerable inconvenience. Its construction may be ordered to be taken up early. The people are quite ready to pay Rs. 50,000 as loan towards the cost of construction.

Reply of Government.—Will be done. This has been graciously approved by His Highness the Maharaja.

SUBJECT No. 273.

A road to the Hemavathi bridge.

Messrs. G. K. Padmarajaiya and C. Venkataramaiya, Channarayapatna taluk; K. Ramanna, Hole-Narsipur taluk; and Venkatachar, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A road may be constructed from the 2nd or 3rd mile stone of the Channarayapatna-Hole-Narsipur road to the Hemavathi bridge on the Hassan-Hole-Narsipur road *via* Agrahar.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration in the Public Works Department.

SUBJECT No. 274.

A telegraph station at Channarayapatna.

Messrs. G. K. Padmarajaiya, and C. Venkataramaiya, Channarayapatna taluk; K. Ramanna, Hole-Narsipur taluk and Venkatachar, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—There are 4 Industrial shops at Channarayapatna, Sravanabelagola and other villages close to the taluk headquarter and brass industry is carried on on a large scale. Besides, the people of Channarayapatna taluk seek employment in Bhavanagar, Bombay, Nilgiris and Coorg. A telegraph station may be opened at Channarayapatna, as it will stimulate the local industry and commerce and enable the people to obtain information from abroad quickly.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 275.

A Revenue Sub-Division Office at Hole-Narsipur.

Mr. N. Venkata Char, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—As the town of Hole-Narsipur is growing in importance and will soon be connected by railway, a Revenue Sub-Division Office may be established with revenue and criminal jurisdiction over the taluks of Hole-Narsipur, Channarayapatna and Arkalgud.

Reply of Government—Will be considered after the railway is opened.

SUBJECT No. 276.

A non-official Vice-President to Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Mr. N. Venkata Char, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—As the Amildar of Hole-Narsipur taluk has to attend to various departmental papers in addition to his itinerant duties during the Taluk and Huzur Jamabandi seasons, he hardly finds any time to attend to municipal papers and inspection work. A qualified person other than the Amildar may be appointed